## A RESOLUTION 2004-24-17

SUPPORTING THE CALLING OF THE ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT SALES TAX ELECTION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY, AT A RATE OF UP TO THREE-EIGHTHS OF ONE PERCENT ("3/8%"); AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ART A. HALL, DISTRICT 8 AND COUNCILMAN RICHARD PEREZ, DISTRICT 4.

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Metropolitan Area estimates a shortfall of several billion dollars for transportation improvements and enhancements, between now and 2030 for this region; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio working with Bexar County, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the San Antonio Mobility Coalition, Inc., collaborated to pass Senate Bill 404, Advanced Transportation District legislation during the 78<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Texas Legislature, whereby sales tax revenues collected would be split among the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to San Antonio to have increased funding options to address the ever increasing concerns over infrastructure, transportation network enhancements and operational improvements; and

WHEREAS, funding from the Advanced Transportation District can be used to leverage additional funding to address city wide concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority will be calling an election to create an Advanced Transportation District during the month of June, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, in responding to strong citizen calls for increased funding for transportation and infrastructure projects wishes to encourage the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority to call an election for up to a 3/8ths of one percent sales and use tax increase dedicated to the Advanced Transportation District; NOW THEREFORE:

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That the City Council supports and encourages VIA to order an election to create an Advanced Transportation District and propose up to a three-eighths of one percent, or 3/8%, sales and use tax increase on the November 2, 2004 ballot; and that the City Council will consider placing on the November ballot a proposal for the remaining one-eighth of one percent, or 1/8%, of the local sales and use tax.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of June, 2004.

M A Y O R EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST: (

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_

City Attorney